

THANKS TO YOU

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HERE'S A GREAT NEW FAST FACT ... GIA TO PRINT THIRD EDITION OF FAST FACTS 101!

One of CityStuff's most delightful components is the *Fast Facts 101* book all students receive and share with their families.

Since CityStuff's inception in 2002, *Fast Facts 101* has been printed by a jewel of a Carlsbad company; a business whose civic-minded heart shines as brightly as a diamond: the Gemological Institute of America (GIA).

GIA's Community Development Director, Gary Hill, recently announced that GIA will print 6,000 copies of the updated third edition. The in-kind donation is valued at \$15,840.

Gary believes, "CityStuff helps our children become better citizens, and, in the future, better employees."



Carlsbad Communications Manager Denise Vedder thanks GIA's Community Development Director, Gary Hill, for printing all three editions of *Fast Facts 101*.

Thank you, GIA!

CITYSTUFF WINS A PRESTIGIOUS PUTNAM



CityStuff friends gather at the October 3 City Council meeting to celebrate the program's Helen Putnam Award.

Move over "Tony" and "Oscar." CityStuff has won a "Helen" – as in a League of California Cities 2006 Helen Putnam Award of Excellence in the category, "Ruth Vreeland Award for Engaging Youth in City Government."

CityStuff was highlighted at the League's September conference in San Diego and recognized at a Carlsbad City Council meeting on October 3. Many CityStuff volunteers and representatives from schools and sponsors came to share the honor.

The Ruth Vreeland Award recognizes collaborative efforts between cities and

other agencies to inform and engage youth about city issues and their communities.

The award's namesake, a deceased Monterey councilwoman, once said of her community, "This town is more than buildings and streets; first it is people."

That statement reflects a basic CityStuff tenet: that people make the community ... and make the community what it is.

CityStuff volunteers represent a microcosm of what makes Carlsbad a well-run City and a great place to live.

Dear CityStuffers: Congratulations on winning the Putnam. The award is yours!

SPRING 2006 WIT AND WISDOM



A Carrillo newspaper activity led to this article:

PARENTS FOR SALE

By Kameron Bolster

"Kameron's parents are for sale today in San Marcos. He's not sure why, but they are."

During a restaurant activity, one Buena Vista group created "Panda Gardens" and pledged to donate a percentage of the proceeds to help save pandas from extinction.



Calavera and Pacific Rim students said CityStuff taught them that:

- "Zoning is important."
- "A tie vote made us Carlsbad and not Oceanside."
- "Carlsbad was almost called San Francisco."
- "You have to be careful where you put certain buildings to keep things safe."
- "People and cities can do a lot of things but you have to be a part of it."
- "There is more than one way to solve a problem."

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